Government does not maintain data on the surplus land, losses suffered and modernisation proposals in respect of the non-NTC mills in the textile sector.

Production and Consumption of Cloth in Madhya Pradesh

2168. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production and consumptions of cloth, particularly cotton cloth is consistently declining in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof for the last three years; and

(c) what remedial action Government propose to take to boost the production of cloth, particularly cotton cloth in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Statistics pertaining to the production and consumption of cloth (including cotton cloth) is maintained on an all-India basis and not state-wise. The production and consumption of cloth however, has been increasing over the last three years on an all-India basis.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Export of Powerloom Cloth from Maharashtra

2169. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any quota has been prescribed by Government for export of powerloom cloth from Maharashtra and to which countries it is being exported;

(b) the quantum of export of powerloom cloth from Maharashtra as compared to other States;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government for enhancement of the quota;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (e) Export quotas for textiles, including powerloom cloth, are not fixed on a State-wise basis nor are the export figures maintained State-wise. In the Long Term Textile Export Entitlement Allotment Policy (1994-96), 5% of the annual level has been earmarked for the powerloom Exporters Entitlement (PEE) system and at present, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government for enhancement of the PEE Quata.

Financial Assistance to Handicraft Artisans

2170. SHRI SARADA MOHANTI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been extending financial assistance to the State Governments to develop modern equipments for the handicrafts artisans;

(b) if so, whether any such assistance has been extended to Orissa during the last three years; and

(c) if so, the details of steps taken by that State to develop and modernise equipment for the handicrafts artisans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) There is no scheme of the Government of India to extend financial assistance to the State Governments to develop modern equipments for the handicraft artisans, although technical guidance for supply of improved tools to crafts-persons are provided. However the Government of Orissa has a State sponsored scheme named "Modernisation of Equipment" under which an amount of Rs. 5.72 lakhs have been provided during 1992-93 and 1993-94 to sixty Handicrafts Cooperative Societies of the State.

Construction of Handloom Expos

2171. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total area of construction of Major Handloom Expos organised after August, 1993 and rate per sq. ft. for construction of State Pavillions and rate per sq. ft. for rent recovery from Handloom Agencies.

(b) whether representatives of Ministry were present in Tender Committee formed by Nodal agencies for organising these Expos;

(c) whether there was big difference in construction rates of State Pavillions and rent recovery from handloom agencies;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action taken by Government on such arbitrary fixation of standard rates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The information is as under:

A	B	C	D
Details of Expo	Constructed area (sq. ft.)	Rate per sq. ft. for construction (excluding facilities) (Rs.)	Rate per sq. ft. for recovery from handloom agencies (including facilities) (Rs.)
(i) National Handloom Expo, Ahmedabad (6-11-93 to 4-12-93)	46409	32.00	65.00
(ii) National Handloom Expo, Delhi (3-12-93 to 4-1-94)	46700	48.30	50.00
(iii) National Handloom Expo, Kanpur (15-1-94 to 13-2-94)	50000	58.20	60.00
(iv) National Handloom Expo, Pune (1-2-94 to 2-3-94)	46500	39.00	60.00
(v) National Handloom Expo, Hyderabad (25-3- 94 to 23-4-94)	50493	32.00	68.00
(vi) National Handloom Expo, Bangalore (17-9-94 to 16-10-94)	45000	45.00	75.00
(vii) National Handloom Expo, Agra (4-10-94 to 2-11-94)	31000	35.00	65.00
(viii) National Handloom Expo, Mumbai (12-10-94 to 10-11-94)	52000	39.00	90.00

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The rate of construction as given at col. C are excluding the facilities whereas the rates charged from handloom agencies as given at col. D are including facilities. The reasons of difference in construction rates of State Pavillions and rent recovery from handloom agencies are on account of following facilities:

Provision of office, fire-fighting, space for Bank & Post Office, space for Police Post, provisions for main power connection, Fire-Aid, Switch Boards, DG Set, bathrooms, toilets and other public conveniences, provision of water security, telephones, Public Address System, General lighting, boundary wall, holding inauguration and closing functions, provisions of gates, maintenance & upkeep of the place as per requirements indicated in standard tender schedule, publicity expenses, ground-rent, organisation and establishment cost, payment of statutory fees, etc.

(e) The reasons for such difference are unavoidable. Rates differ from one State to another. Also in certain States higher ground rent depending upon the location of exhibition ground has to be paid. As such, standard rates cannot be fixed up by the Ministry.

Textile Mills run by NTC in Gujarat

2172. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of textile mills in Gujarat being run by the NTC together with the names and the location thereof;

(b) what is the total number of textile mills being run in the private sector together with the names and the location thereof;

(c) what is the actual production and capacity of NTC and private mills separately at present;

(d) whether the production and capacity of NTC mills is lower than the private sector mills;

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether any proposal for modernisation of these mills is under consideration of the Government, if so, what is the proposal and what action is being taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) The